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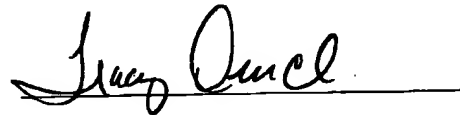
Pursuant to the undersigned's recent telephone interview with Examiner Davis, the included new claims are presented. Please recall that the claims included above are substantially identical to those recently indicated as being allowable in the parent application, the same carrying an application number of 09/207,221.

Responsive to a recent Restriction Requirement in this application, applicant made an Election with traverse. In order to remove any later contention that the presently submitted claims read on any specific embodiment, the present CPA is being filed to expedite prosecution.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests early consideration and allowance of the pending claims, and passage to issuance of the present application.

If there are outstanding issues which might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, Examiner is invited to call Applicant's representative at the telephone number shown below.

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